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Today, President Obama announced his proposal for ending the Section 215 Bulk Telephony Metadata Program. The President's proposal will, with the passage of legislation, ensure that we have the information we need to meet our intelligence requirements while protecting civil liberties and privacy and being as transparent as possible.

I look forward to working with our oversight committees to implement the President's proposal while we continue to focus on the intelligence challenges facing the United States and our allies.

As we implement the reforms announced today, the hardworking men and women of the Intelligence Community will continue – as we always have – to do our part to keep the nation safe.

James R. Clapper, Director of National Intelligence

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